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SUBJECT: EGYPT'S SPEAKER OF THE PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY ON  
PROSPECTS FOR DISSOLUTION

REF: A. CAIRO 1266 B. CAIRO 1183 Classified By: Ambassador Margaret Scobey for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)  
1.Key Points: -- (C) Speaker of the People,s Assembly (PA) Dr. Fathi Sorour praised President Obama's speech as everything the Egyptians were l  
2.(C) In his first meeting with the Ambassador since President Obama's June 4 speech, Sorour began the meeting by saying "we are 100 percent se  
3.(C) The Ambassador raised speculation in the media and among political elites on the potential dissolution of the People's Assembly (PA) this  
4.(C) Sorour remained unwilling to make any predictions on the likelihood of dissolution and went on to underline that the decision remains cor  
5.(C) After signaling an internal NDP split on dissolution, Sorour followed with a story from an "NDP insider" who said that Gamal "sent a mess  
6.(C) Calling himself a political bloc unto himself, and someone known to have his own views, he said that he had recently reached out to Presi  
7.(C) Sorour spoke at some length about the need to ensure "political pluralism" in Egypt. Citing Article 5 of the constitution which states th  
8.(C) Comment: We regularly hear from contacts that it is not in President Mubarak's nature to make big decisions, like dissolution, that shock